

MAJOR INCIDENT REPORT A SPECIAL REPORT FROM LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE CHIEF DARYL L. OSBY

TYPE OF INCIDENT:

Out of County Assistance to CalFIRE/U.S. Forest Service

DATE AND TIME OF OCCURRENCE:

July 15, 2013, 1:43 p.m.

INCIDENT SUMMARY:

Mountain Incident: On Monday, July 15, 2013, at 1:43 p.m., CalFIRE received a report of a brush fire near the junction of Highway 243 and Highway 74 in the San Jacinto Wilderness area of Riverside County. The fire is currently being fueled through timber, chapparal, and southwesterly winds of 10 miles per hour, in the very steep and rugged terrain of the San Jacinto Wilderness. We received a request for assistance from CalFIRE at 3:40 a.m. on Tuesday, July 16, 2013. We deployed four camp crews strike teams (consisting of two crews and one superintendent each), two trainees, and two battalion chiefs. Unified command on this fire was established with CalFIRE and the U.S. Forest Service. Currently, the U.S. Forest Service is reporting 8,000 acres burned with 10 percent containment with an unknown number of structures damaged and/or destroyed. A total of 650 firefighters are battling this blaze, with no estimated date of containment. There is currently no fire involvement in Los Angeles County.

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